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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of January 5, 2004,  
petition and payment for a two month extension of time being  
attached hereto, please amend as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims  
which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.

**Attachments** including support copies two publication references  
(Scott et al. and Watson et al.) are attached following page 16  
of this paper.